Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant (NHHBG) Program

Affordable housing activities for Native Hawaiians.

Nature of Program: The NHHBG program is patterned after the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) program, but contains changes to address the housing needs and circumstances of Native Hawaiians. The NHHBG program authorizes HUD to make grants to the State of Hawaii's Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) to carry out affordable housing activities for Native Hawaiian families who are eligible to reside on the Hawaiian Home Lands. The DHHL must submit for HUD review a one-year and a 5-year housing plan containing the goals, mission, and methodology by which DHHL will accomplish its objectives during the grant period.

The five categories of eligible activities for providing affordable housing (or related housing services) are:

- Development of affordable housing;
- Housing-related services for affordable housing;
- Management services for affordable housing;
- Safety, security, and law enforcement measures and activities appropriate to protect residents of affordable housing from crime; and
- Housing activities under model programs designed to carry out the purposes of the Act, if specifically approved by HUD, as appropriate.

Applicant Eligibility: Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

Legal Authority: Title VIII of NAHASDA, as added by Section 513 of the American Homeownership and Economic Opportunity Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-569) and Section 203 of the Omnibus Indian Advancement Act (Public Law 106-568) (42 U.S.C. 4221). Regulations are at 24 CFR part 1006.

Administering Office: Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, DC 20410.

Information Source: Administering office.

On the Web: www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/codetalk/onap/nhhbgprogram.cfm

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